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**Hello, it's Jackie and Andy here, Archie's Puppy Walkers. We are excited to update you on what he has been up to.**

Archie is the 19th puppy we have raised for Guide Dogs. We love to witness each pup growing and learning, and to see them qualified and wearing their white harnesses makes it all worth it. It's amazing to know we've helped change someone's life, all whilst having great fun along the way.



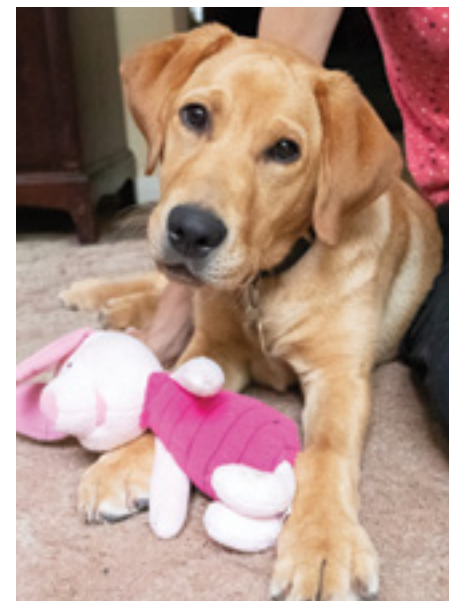
## Settling in

Archie settled into life with us quickly. His big and bold personality fit in perfectly in our home and he was soon exploring the garden with fellow puppy in training, Pablo. He also shares his home with pet dog, May, who took Archie under her wing and was keen to show him the ropes.

Archie loves his cuddly toys but is especially fond of his rubber chew toy. It's safe to say that he does like to give us an early morning wakeup call; we're hopeful that someday he will learn what a lie-in is!

## Learning fast

Over the last few months we have been taking Archie to puppy classes to learn basic obedience skills.



He's progressing well and has already mastered important commands such as 'sit', 'wait' and 'stay'. When we are out and about Archie loves to introduce himself to other dogs but his recall is brilliant, so we know he will come straight back.

Being a typical Labrador, Archie is driven by his stomach and can be a little impatient when it comes to food. We've been teaching him to have more patience through whistle feeding, where we

place his food down, ask him to 'wait', and then blow the whistle to let him know he can have his food.

## The big wide world

We've been exposing Archie to lots of new environments such as supermarkets, train stations and cafés.

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See how Archie has grown in his own video: [guidedogs.org.uk/puppy-archie](https://guidedogs.org.uk/puppy-archie)

This is known as 'socialisation' and helps to build his confidence.

When we first introduced Archie to trains, we started by watching them from afar so that he could get used to the new sounds and smells. When he was ready, we put him on the platform floor, and he wasn't fazed at all. He was even brave enough to try getting onto one!

We're excited to have Archie at home with us for Christmas. It'd be lovely if there is snow this year, as pups are so cute when they see their first snowfall.

Also, it's important that puppies in training are exposed to all kinds of weather, as these experiences will prepare them for their futures as a life-changing guide dog.

Thank you so much for sponsoring Archie. Look out for your next Pupdate in February.



## See how much Archie has grown

We have been taking pictures of Archie since he was born so you can see just how much he's changed.

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